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ORDER AT PROCESS TOOLS

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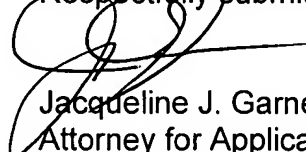
Dear Sir:

With respect to the Restriction Requirement mailed on 08/26/2004, the Examiner has restricted the instant application to the invention of Species I or Species II. Applicants note that only claims 14-17 are pending. Claims 1-13 and 18-26 were cancelled in a preliminary amendment dated December 4, 2003.

Applicants elect Species I, Subspecies D with claims 14-17 readable thereon, with traverse.

Claims 14-17 are the only claims pending in this application. The claimed invention does not read on patentably distinct species. Accordingly, Applicants request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,


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